MODERN BOOK ADVERTISING

METHODS POINTED OUT BY BEN-HUR" AND "TRILBY."

Accidental Circumstances That Started the Sale of the Two Books -- Efforts of Publishers to Duplicate Their Success Public Interest in Authors' Ways

Some instances showing the development of modern book advertising are given in the current Bookman by Algernor

"Trilby," he says, was floated by a number of accidental circumstances. for one thing, the story dealt with hypnotism, just then engaging the public imagination. Then Whistler complained that he was caricatured as Joe Sibley. and Du Maurier was forced to cut out the character. Then the story was printed serially and the author was supposed to leen and that Kathleen returns his lovehave threatened to sue the Harpers on account of some omissions.

ifferent actresses played the title role. Then there were the distinctive drawings of the author which impressed the characters on the public mind to the extent that it became a fad for three men re-sembling, in size, Taffy, the Laird and

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An argument between Ingersoll and Lew Wallace started "Ben-Hur," says the writer. Though the book was published in 1880, its sales didn't really begin to grow fast for a year. In 1881 Gen. Wallace told Gen. Garfield the genesis of the story—how being unable to answer Ingersoll's arguments, he went home to read his Bible for ammunition and then wrote.

That in the absence of children she had lavished upon her husband, she protects him now and a'so shie'ds Kath'een, believing that the better nature of both will triumph in the end.

Juliet's sudden death, caused by a fall from her horse, clears the atmosphere. To Anthony, in his bereavement of this counsellor and friend, she lives as she has never lived before. Her influence in his life and in Kathleen's becomes a real and vital thing. Their guilty love becomes a pure affection that makes them live apart, each taking up a life work of definite purpose.

Kathleen sees Juliet before she dies and

up with them was saturated with the idea of the impropriety of advertising. They finally selected a promising young man with no advertising or publishing back-ground whatever. They gave him \$120,000 and resolved to let him work out the problem without interference.

"For a year they saw no returns of ironical sign of their inward grief for the death of their old ideals; they paled at Plymouth type; the extension of a picture

"But when they saw that none of these immoral proceedings produced a cataclysm and that their business had begun to increase they began to be reconciled. Other conservative publishers had followed behind every step, so that their advertiser was driven to all sorts of new

a letter a day until the full name was spelled out."

velt. The President sent for the author and after seeing him called upon Con-gress for an investigation of the stock-yards, and just when the President's message was before Congress the book was released.

The free publicity gained was enormous, but the investigating committee whitewashed the stockyards, so the author had to visit the President again lest the advertising campaign fall through. A second commission investigated, confirmed the statements of the book, another message was sent to Congress, the stockyards were cleaned up and the sale of the book went on

STORY OF HEROIC LOVE.

Compensation" by Anne Warwick Deals

"Compensation" is the title of a book by Anne Warwick (John Lane Company) the scene of which is laid principally in Washington, where Anthony Steele figures as "the Senator from Ohio." It is a story of the development of character through self-abnegation. The character of Juliet, Anthony's wife, who finds her happiness in quiet self-effacement while helping her husband in his career, and whose greatest pleasure lies in securing his success and furthering his ambitions, does not appeal to the reader at first quite so much as that of the attractive, unspoiled child of nature, her little débutante friend, Kathleen, with her frank outlook upon the world and her honest, downright opinions.

When the tragedy falls upon the wife's heart, however, in the knowledge that her husband has fallen in love with Kathave threatened to sue the Harpers on just as the wife has begun to realize that she herself is in love with the man whose marriage with her had been simply one rear it was made into a play and several of convenience, both deciding that love was an unnecessary adjunct—then the nobility of the wife's nature comes to the surface. With the maternal solicitude that in the absence of children she had

story—how being unable to answer Ingersoll's arguments, he went home to read his Bible for ammunition and then wrote the story. The President was so impressed that he wrote a letter commending the book to the public. The letter was widely published, as was the fact that the author had been appointed Minister to Turkey. These various things drew public attention to the book, to be held to the present day by it and the play founded on it.

The success of these two books naturally led publishers to apply advertising ideas to other books.

"The history of the guarded skirmishes of one of our oldest houses has both point and humor for the student of book advertising," says Mr. Tassin. "They were three years trying to find a man who could adopt the new methods without sacrificing the dignity of the old.

"Then they tried to develop a man of their own, but every one who had grown up with them was saturated with the idea of the impropriety of advertising. They

EDEN PHILLPOTTS'S NEW NOVEL

A Story of Dartmoor and of a Daughter of Demeter's Tragedies. This spring brings a new book by Eden

Philpotts, and "Demeter's Daughter." the name of it, no less than the story seems somehow peculiarly fitted to the any sort, but they were good losers and season. It is not a happy story, this said nothing; at the end of this time it added tale of Dartmoor; not happy, it all came back in a flood. But in the in-should be explained, in its outcome, or terval they squirmed in secret. A black indeed in many of its events. They are hand around an advertisement was the not intended for reading by persons de siring a simplified romance

The book, published by the John Lane Company, opens with an invocation to through its border made an earthquake. the goddess Demeter; hardly an invocation either, rather a pean in her honor The dripping fogs of the moor roll away before sunshine to show us the figure of Alison Cleave, she who is a veritable daughter of Demeter.

Alison Cleave's family consists of her husband, Aaron; two grown sons, Giles

ivertised a book of Miss Ellen Glasgow's letter a day until the full name was belled out."

It is a back breaking, not to say heart breaking task. Giles is worthless. This letter a day until the full name was breaking task. Giles is worthless. This makes a tale of action of the red blooded letter to be the full that the success at first but it may with success at first but. But freak presentation wore itself out. It met with success at first, but publishers after a while found they were spending too much money. Then came the notion of publicity for the author. When "The Clansman" was published an article was written about it and its author and syndicated in the Southern papers.

Free publicity in the newspapers was tried out in its greatest magnitude on "The Jungle." The publishers decided to verify it and back it up by substantial articles in the Review of Reviews before printing it and sent a man out to Chicago to corroborate it. He went, and despatched his proofs to President Roosevelt. The President sent for the author and after seeing him called upon Conand as tried disgruntledness; he ends by ruining a fine girl. Frank goes to the Boer war and is killed. Joyce, very vain, goes to London in service. Eventually she is married—we cannot be persuaded to believe happily for her husband. Aaron becomes more drunken. In one of his sprees, driving home with his wife of a stormy, risky night, he insists on fording a stream and of course not at the ford. Alison, his wife, is drowned. It is murder, you might say.

But she did not much value life. Her husband had put the final blighting misfortune on her days by his intimacy with a woman next door, a shopkeeper, who had a great deal of contempt for him but who loved his body, the author tells

Seldom did unmerciful disaster follow fast and follow faster. Yet the unre-lenting truthfulness of the story con-fronts one everywhere. There is a pull, fronts one everywhere. There is a pull, a fascination about the tale. It is not without its lighter moments nor its kindly redeeming characters. It is beautifully and mercifully told. The reader will find it up to all his expectations.

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"David Harum" received more free publicity than paid advertising, its early success being helped by the report that Kipling had written it, but later by the continual comment on the fact of its author not living to see his success.

"The public is far more interested," says Mr. Tassin, "in hearing that Mr. and of the exotic enchantments of the exotic enchantments of the exotic enchantments concealed within native Algerian homes. There is indeed a motor car says mr. Tassin, "in hearing that Mr. and paid him a fee for it than it is in reading about the mere mechanics of writing. Whether Mrs. Wilcox composes her poems lying down in a satin Mother Hubbard or Phillips wrote his books standing up in a dressing gown does The Williamsons have forsaken the has given a portrait of him which lives motor car motif and the courts and king- up to his reputation.

Hubbard or Phillips wrote his books standing up in a dressing gown does not awaken abiding interest; but a vivid picture was painted on the mind when we read that the author of Bob, Son of Battle, was paralyzed and was forced to hold his paper just above his eyes as he wrote, stretched out rigid upon the bed. "It made not only a warm human appeal but it had an especial pertinence to the subject of the story. Curiously enough, though the author was finally able to leave his bed, he never wrote again a book so full of the joy and surge of physical strife."

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AT ALL BOOKSELLERS

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Sir John and his White Company were

old castle to which Sir John takes her for temporary safety, the fight in the castle when the Prince's men are traitorously let in by a secret passage, the death of the Prince's favorite at Sir John's hand, his ransom by the Duke of Padua, once his sworn enemy and his acceptance of the command of the Duke's army in of the command of the Duke's army in the final chapter, a command that brings with it the hand of the Princess whom he has long loved, are, all told with a swing that carries the reader along with a rush. The little love story of Sir John's Irish Lieutenant, Michael O'Meara, furnishes a charming side dish to the strenuous work in which the hero indulges. Sir John was the last and greatest of the Free Captains and played an important part in the Italian history of his time, and the author of this book has given a portrait of him which lives

PURE, FOOD AND SOUR MILK. Dr. Wiley Tells How to Market and Discusses Longevity.

A revised and enlarged edition of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley's "Foods and Their Adulteration" is the most important & Co. of Philadelphia. K is profusely illustrated.

There are eleven colored plates showing most important meat of the flesh foods. By comparing the appearance of the beef bought at the market with these colored plates a housekeeper can form a sound judgment as to whether the meat purchased is fit for consumption. This to philosophy is indicated by the reviews is only one of many ways in which the of the original French edition. book is intended to be of benefit to house-

CAREER OF A FREE CAPTAIN. BY AUTHOR OF "BETSY ROSS." H. G. WELLS THRICE DISTILLED. Marion Polk Angellotti Writes of the Wild C. C. Hotchkiss Writes a Stirring Novel of Revolutionary Days Here.

The author of "Betsy Ross" has written and ablest of the leaders of the White another historical novel, which inci-Company, that band of mercenarie dentally is designed for the hammock Machiavelli, a novel which has just been which figured so prominently in Italian maiden or the tired business man. In published by Duffield & Co. The story "Maude Baxter" C. C. Hotchkiss doesn't perhaps no more interesting portion try to interpret the life around him and long chapters devoted to his school days than that which Marion Polk Angellotti doesn't mar an April day with explaining and adolescence. Then he goes to Parlia has chosen for the theme of her book how the woes of Algy were determined ment, where at first he is a Younger "Sir John Hawkwood," published by years ago by the capers of Algy's grand-Liberal. He finds flaws in that party and devices.

The period of freak presentation was on. Doubleday, Page ran an advertise-ment of The Leopard's Spots' in thirty-six point Post old style type transversely along an outside column of a newspaper, thus quadrupling the space. All the other publishers clamored to follow suit, but the newspapers soon found out that such printing annoyed the eye of the reader, as well as impaired their dignity, and they had to stop it. Then Doubleday, and they had to stop it. Then Doubleday is a that which Markoo Pois Angelow is the has chosen for the theme of her book has chosen for the theme of her book has chosen for the theme of her book and style of the such point Post old style type transversely and the boy, Dick. The story deals with mother, father and the three grown thus quadrupling the space. All the finds flaws in that which Markoo Pois Angelow is the chosen for the theme of her book has chosen for the theme of her book has chosen for the theme of her book and style of the such point Post old style type transversely along an outside column of a newspaper, thus quadrupling the space. All the finds flaws in that which Markoo Pois Angelow is the chosen for the theme of her book has closen for book has pears ago by the capers of Algy were determined has chosen for the book has chosen for the book has chosen for book has chosen for book has few on the form has Angelow by all the has chosen for the book has chosen for book has chosen for

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tragic position."
The hero, who has a hawk's whole

for George Washington, but that doesn't appear until later.

The hero goes to New York on some secret service of his own, his sailboat being chased by the warship en route, and missed by her cruel gunners. This much takes only forty pages, and the pace never slackens in the whole 319, so the reader can be assured that here are exciting times in store for him.

A Painstaking, Successful Version of

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Sir John and his White Company were, makes a tale of action of the red blooded kind.

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Excitement and sentiment are blended The hero, who has a hawk's whole visage, was pressed into the British Navy in London and is now serving on a warship lying off the Connecticut coast. Having mutinied he jumps overboard and swims ashore, to find his father's home in the hands of a Tory uncle and his sweetheart gone to New York, where she is believed to be in love with a hated red-coat. She's really doing secret service for George Washington, but that doesn't appear until later. in Randall Parrish's story of the civil is inside the Confederate lines gorging

on adventure and peril.

Gen. Grant sends him on an extra hazardous mission and he falls into many ardous mission and he falls into many dangerous situations, only to be saved by his wits, nerve, luck—and a girl of the South. Before he knows just where the girl stands the Lieutenant has to fight a duel with the Confederate Captain to

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out reason, it seems.

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The reminiscences of M. Xavier Paoii

for forty-two years attached to the French Government and charged with the duty of watching over the safety and comfort Bishop Ken.

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There are chapters on raising flowers from seed, raising trees from seed a little about terraces and their treatment. the wild garden and a whole lot about

the wild garden and a whole lot about shrubs, vines, plants and bulbs.

Those who love flowers can learn from this book just when and how to plant almost everything and how to take care of the plants from the time the tiny shoots appear above the soil until they bear bloom. There are 295 pages of interesting matter in this book, and in addition to eight color plates there are twenty-four full page halftones and sixty-two illustrations in the text.

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